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Yesterday I received a call from Kathy Helms, a reporter for a Gallup newspaper, asking whether the San Mateo basin was going to be added to the NPL. I told her that press inquiries needed to be coordinated through our external affairs office and that Joe Hubbard needed to be involved if more information is needed than my summary comment. Regarding San Mateo, I said that EPA had been studying groundwater contamination from uranium mining and had asked New Mexico if Superfund would be an appropriate vehicle to address the problem. New Mexico responded that they wanted to get input from local governments and hadn't responded yet to us. [note that we received Butch Tongate's letter this morning].

She wanted more information regarding mills or mines that might be included and I said that I didn't know that level of information but that we could work with Joe Hubbard if more information was needed. I also said that if we were to pursue adding the site to the NPL there would need to be an opportunity for public review and comment and that a lot more specifics would be available.

She also said that she never receives any information about our activities and I promised that we would add her to our information distribution list. [I think she is already included but I wasn't going to quibble].